



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2005-12

WHEREAS, I, John Hoeven, Governor of the State of North Dakota, by the authority vested in me, have declared that a snow emergency exists in North Dakota based on the November 27-30, 2005, severe winter storm with heavy snow, freezing rain and damaging high winds that moved through North Dakota disrupting electrical power and stranding motorists creating emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, reports of two to 13 inches of snow on the ground with wind gusts up to 57 miles per hour (mph) in certain areas of the state created dangerous hazards for stranded motorists; and

WHEREAS, power outages were reported in several counties as a result of extensive damage to infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the electrical outages constituted disruption to normal daily life and personal safety.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that appropriate state agencies and administrators maintain snow emergency response initiatives pursuant to the State Emergency Operations Plan.

This order is issued upon the following basis and for the following reasons:

1. The governor is vested with the executive authority pursuant to Article V, Section 1 of the North Dakota Constitution; and
2. The governor is vested with statutory authority to issue executive orders pursuant to Chapter 37-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code to minimize or avert the effects of a disaster or emergency; and
3. A coordinated and effective effort of appropriate government departments is required to minimize the impact of emergencies and disasters in this state.

Executed at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 29th day of November 2005.

/s/
John Hoeven, Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger, Secretary of State